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NAME COMMISSION TO JUDGE CRIMES OF TSAR'S CABINET

Expediting Reorganisation;
Already beat Old Sup-
ply Maximum

LOYAL WORKMEN

Voluntarily Increase Hours
To Meet Demand For
War Material

RASPUTIN BURNED

Instal 'Grandmother of Re-
volution' In Ex-Govern-
or's Palace

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Petrograd, March 27.—An extraordinary Commission is investigating the illegality of ex-Ministers and officials of the old regime. It is stated that six hundred machine-guns have been found in different parts of the city.

The fundamental principles of the program of the new Russian Government comprise the necessity for assiduous work and intensive organization. The absolute calmness with which the Provisional Government enabled all the State institutions to start work again eight days ago. The telegraphs, posts and railways have never for a moment ceased their functions.

The number of trucks loaded daily surpasses the maximum obtained by the old regime, thus avoiding difficulties in connection with food supply.

All the great State administrations have retained their technical personnel, thus ensuring the routine of the political organization. In all the villages, the police have been replaced by militia, assisted by the local garrisons.

Petrograd Normal Again

Petrograd has completely resumed its ordinary aspect. The tramcars are running, all the theaters, concerts, circuses and cinemas are re-opened.

All the banks are working and the Stock Exchange in Petrograd will shortly reopen and will liquidate its considerable arrears of operations. The Moscow Exchange has already opened.

Simultaneously with the starting of work in the factories, all the newspapers have begun to re-appear regularly and new papers have been founded this week.

The first Government to actually represent the nation has inspired the people to recommence their ordinary peaceful occupations, fully convinced that the great reforms announced will be urgently fulfilled. The proclamation of the Finnish constitution, which was violated by the old regime, the general amnesty and the abolition of national and religious restrictions have been acclaimed with enthusiasm, as the best proof of Russia's future.

Improve Soldiers' Status

All the reforms already published by the new Minister of War concerning the internal life of the soldiers consist in raising the moral personality of the soldiers, granting them more dignity than in the past and also freedom to elect their officers. All these reforms will act as a stimulant to the combative energy of the soldiers.

Yesterday, great manifestations occurred in the streets of Petrograd, the demonstrators flying banners inscribed: "Victory and Liberty!" These words are indissolubly associated, as only victory ensures free development of the new internal regime. Irrespective of their political opinions, all Parties proclaim war to the finish, this being recognised not only at the front, in the reports of the Government delegates sent to the different armies and the patriotic clan of the troops in swearing allegiance to the new Government, but also being manifested everywhere in the rear of the armies, where all the plants and factories preparing war material started work a week ago, more energetically than ever.

Voluntary Overtime

Thus, some of the plants, on the initiative of the workmen, have

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Six More Towns Captured By the Anglo-French Troops; St. Quentin Now Objective

Folembay, Lefeulle, Coucy-le-Chateau, Longavesnes, Liermont, Equancourt All Brilliantly Assaulted

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, March 27.—The official communique issued yesterday evening reported: Between the Somme and the Oise, our artillery dispersed gatherings of the enemy, between Benay and Urvillers.

South of the Oise, we made important progress in Lower Coucy Forest and occupied Folembay and Lefeulle, notwithstanding the difficulties of the terrain and the vigorous resistance of the enemy. We also progressed north of Soissons, in the region of Vregny.

The communique this afternoon reported: We continued to advance, south of the Oise, in the lower Forest of Coucy, of which we occupy the entire northern portion, the enemy having been driven beyond the Barle-Servais line. A night-attack brilliantly carried the village of Coucy-le-Chateau, south of the Forest of Coucy, despite the energetic defense made by the Germans.

French Successes

In the region north of Soissons, we captured a farm north-west of Margival and a point d'appui strongly held by the enemy.

Interest is now being concentrated on the sector of St. Quentin, which both the French and British are approaching. The capture by the French of Essegny Plateau, immediately south of the town, is notable, as it commands the gap which is the direct strategic route between Paris and Belgium and also marks a considerable step towards the out-flanking of the town.

The Germans, recognising the importance of the position, have made numerous counter-attacks, all of which have been shattered, with heavy loss to the enemy.

Capture Longavesnes

London, March 27. Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters wires today that the British have occupied the large village of Longavesnes, possession of which greatly improves our line between Roubaix and Nuriel and also the small village of Equancourt, northwards of Nuriel, which is on the River Tordelle, near where it falls into the Canal de Nord.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reported this evening: Our cavalry drove the enemy out of Longavesnes, Liermont and Equancourt, which we occupy. A number of Germans were taken prisoners.

A third attack made by the enemy, northward of Beaumont, was temporarily successful, but we recaptured the post and re-established

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Spread Wild Rumors Of Britain Invaded

Bonar Law Tells Parliament He
Has Heard Them, But They
Are Without Foundation

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, March 28.—The unprecedented crop of alarmist and circumstantial rumors circulating throughout Great Britain during the week-end led Mr. William Thorne to ask Mr. A. Bonar Law, in the House of Commons, today, whether he had any information regarding the report of invasions in Scotland and at Lowestoft and elsewhere.

Mr. Bonar Law said that he had heard a great many rumors himself, but they were all without foundation.

Mail Notices

MAILS CLOSE

For Japan:—
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kasuga M. Mar. 29
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Yashiro M. Mar. 30
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Omi Maru Apr. 2
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kumano M. Apr. 5
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Chikugo M. Apr. 7
For U.S., Canada, and Europe:—
Per T.K.K. s.s. Nippon M. Mar. 31
Per P.M. s.s. Ecuador... Apr. 1
For Europe:—
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Miyazaki M. Mar. 30
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kitano M. Apr. 13
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Fushimi M. Apr. 22

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the position. We drove off a raiding party eastward of Ploegsteert.

Belgian Raid Wins

(By wireless).—A Belgian official communique reports:—"A detachment of Belgian troops made a raid against the German positions near Steenstraat, inflicted losses on the enemy, razed their field-works and brought back prisoners."

Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters, wiring yesterday, says that the only change during the 25th was the retirement of the British out-post at Roisel, before a strong German force of cyclist infantry, which suddenly appeared.

"We still hold the railway-junction between Marquais and Roisel. Our occupation of Beaumont-le-Cambrai evidently annoys the Germans."

"They attempted a bombing attack, north of the place, yesterday morning, but were repulsed, with considerable loss. The German artillery is still active, but is desultory and nervous."

Fight Way Up Plateau

Reuter's correspondent at French headquarters, wiring from Soissons, yesterday, says that the Plateau of Croucy, up the southern side of which the French are fighting their way, in the teeth of fierce opposition, is the south-western projection of the vast Laon Plateau. Its surface is broken by countless ravines and is frequently wooded.

Under a clear sky and a bright sun, not enough in the afternoon to tempt weary men to lie and bask in its rays, the French are steadily driving the enemy from position after position. The wilderness of mud has disappeared and the men and guns advance over fields, taking cover as in the wars of a decade ago. Frequent fusillades show that the rifle has come into its own again.

The brilliant capture by the French of the Red Bridge, over a ravine on the Maubeuge road, gave them the key to the whole Croucy Plateau. The regiments making the attack were mostly peasants who, infuriated by the sight of the ruined farms and orchards, stormed the position with irresistible fury and repulsed three counter-attacks in two days. The enemy have not abandoned hope of re-taking the wrecked bridge and fighting is still raging.

Reckless Sacrifices

The French are also pressing forward on the left, in the vicinity of Margival and on the right, in the vicinity of Vregny. Every gain is

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More German Activity In Belgium Than Ever

Nothing Since 1914 to Equal
Transport of Troops Be-
tween 12th and 18th

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Amsterdam, March 28.—The Nieuwe Courant states that, between the 12th and 18th, the transport of German troops through Belgium was on a larger scale than since 1914.

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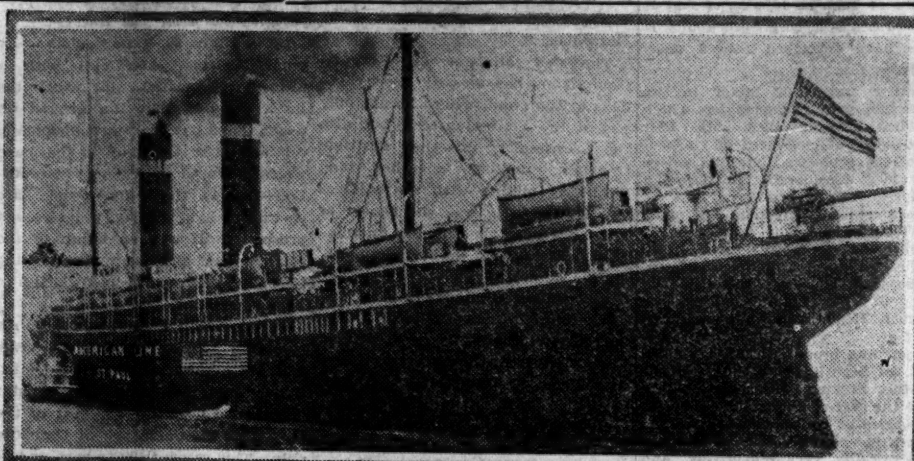
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This picture shows how the American liner St. Paul appears with a modern naval rifle mounted on her stern as a defense against submarine attack. Sailings of the American liners St. Paul and St. Louis from New York were held up pending a decision as to the right of such vessels to arm for defense. The State Department later informed the ship owners that they might arm, and still later the Navy aided in arming them. Yesterday's cables report that the s.s. St. Louis, sister ship of the St. Paul, has safely crossed the barred zone and it is likely that this ship is now engaged in the same perilous passage.

Dr. J. C. McCracken Is Chosen President Of Local University Club

At the annual meeting of the American University Club at the Astor House, President W. W. Stevens presented a report for the year, which indicated that the Club had enjoyed substantial growth and that the year had been marked by unusual activity. The membership had been increased by 96 new members. The finances had been placed upon a sound footing, and a substantial credit balance was brought forward. Monthly luncheons had been inaugurated. Special courtesies were extended during the year to a number of guests of honor, including Minister Paul S. Reinsch, Dr. Jeremiah W. Jenks, Dr. John A. Brahear, Mr. Ambrose Swasey, Dr. John R. Freeman and others.

An "Opportunity" Committee has been organized to aid young men after their graduation from college to secure positions in which they might gain practical experience along the lines of their special training. It is hoped that this work may be carried on for Chinese graduates, both in America and after their return to China.

The President's report was heartily applauded, and regret was expressed that Mr. Stevens could not accept the office for another year.

The following officers were elected: President, Dr. J. C. McCracken, the University of Pennsylvania's football hero of 1899; Vice-President, Hon. C. H. Chu, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs for Kiangsu Province, a graduate of New York University, and holding a master's degree from Columbia; Secretary, L. L. Schnare, of the George Washington University, Class of 1913, now in the American Consular Service; Treasurer, R. P. Roberts, University of Colorado, Class of 1910, now connected with the Engineering Department of the Municipal Council.

Proposal Made to Liquidate Langkats Investment Fund

Committee Named To Investigate Matter of Apportioning Large Sum; One Tael Dividend; Lively Session

The annual meeting of the Maatschappij tot Mijne Bosch-en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, commonly known as Langkats, was held yesterday. It is always counted upon for a shudder or a thrill, or some other sort of sensation, but yesterday it did a bit better than usual.

A resolution was introduced that the present investment fund, which amounts to about Tls. 2,500,000, be liquidated. There was a large attendance and everybody wanted to talk at once so that there was a good deal of excitement. Amidst it all Mr. Horatio Robertson was heard to remark that the company, through the operations of this fund, was rapidly becoming a first-class pawnshop.

Mr. A. W. Burkill quieted the storm by proposing that a committee of three be appointed to go into the matter. This was accepted by the meeting and Messrs. A. W. Burkill, W. S. Davidson and H. Robertson were named on the committee.

Another resolution had been planned, that the Advisory Board be increased by two members, making the total five, but this was not touched. A dividend of one tael per share was declared, disbursements of Tls. 250,000. Newspaper men were barred from the meeting.

DEPORTED BELGIANS DIE OF HUNGER BY SCORES

Eyewitnesses Say Treatment Is
Unimaginable; Reduced
To Eating Rats

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, March 27.—The Belgian Government has received letters from eye-witnesses, describing the terrible fate of the Belgian deportees in Germany. Their treatment is unimaginable. They are dying by scores of starvation and are even eating rats.

GERMAN ROYAL AIRMAN IS NOW REPORTED DEAD

Prince Friedrich Carl of Prussia
Dies from Wounds, Says
Daily Express

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, March 27.—The Daily Express states that the Prussian airman Prince Friedrich Carl has died of wounds. He was recently reported in a German communique as missing.

Rumania Encouraged By Allies' Successes

Doings of British and French
Revive Spirits in Most
Extraordinary Manner

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Jassy, March 26.—The French and British successes in the west have aroused the greatest enthusiasm. The newspapers are torn from the hands of the sellers immediately they appear and the public devour the official communiques and the Reuter despatches, which have revived the spirits of the Rumanians in a most extraordinary manner.

The Weather

Fine weather. The maximum temperature recorded yesterday was 54.6 and the minimum 33.7, the figures for the corresponding day last year being respectively 62.4 and 33.7.

GERMAN ACTS MAY ABROGATE TREATY WASHINGTON SAYS

Is Reply To Berlin's Re-
quest For Extension Of
Privileges Named

ST. LOUIS IS SAFE

First U.S. Armed Liner Ar-
rives At Liverpool With-
out Seeing U-Boat

TESTED GUNS OUT

Sailed through Danger Zone
Making Good Practice
On Dummy Divers

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Washington, March 26.—The reply of the United States to the German proposal to amend the Prussian-American treaties, to extend the mutual exemption of merchants to a general exemption in case of war, states: "The Government of the United States is seriously considering whether or not these treaties have not already been abrogated by Germany's flagrant violations of their provisions."

President Wilson has ordered the Corps of Marines to be brought up to its full war strength of 17,400 men.

St. Louis Arrives Safely

London, March 27.—The s.s. St. Louis, the first American armed liner, arrived in Liverpool today. The passengers included four ladies and five journalists.

No German submarines were seen. In practice shooting, barrels with periscopes were smashed at a range of two miles.

The Captain and an American naval officer were on the bridge for seventy-two hours.

The St. Louis is armed with 6-inch guns, fore and aft, manned by selected gunners. She travelled direct through the danger zone, unhindered.

Organise 6 Districts For Recruiting a Vast Army

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Washington, March 26.—Thousands of National Guardsmen have been called out by President Wilson, for the protection of the country against spies.

The War Department has divided the United States into six military districts, each comprising several States, for the purpose of recruiting an immense army, should occasion arise.

The Government has ordered the withdrawal of the American Minister to Belgium, Mr. Brand Whitlock and all the members of the American Relief Commission in Belgium. The State Department has issued a statement sharply accusing Germany of violating her pledges and of aggression towards Belgians and the American relief work, by sinking ships carrying relief supplies.

The statement expresses doubt whether Americans will be allowed to leave undisturbed. It is stated that the Dutch will carry on the relief work.

CADORNA DOESN'T FEAR FOR SAFETY OF ITALY

If Invasion Attempted, Will Be
Bigger Affair Than Verdun
And Have Same Result

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Rome, March 26.—Signor Barzilai, when visiting the front, had a conversation with Generalissimo Cadorna, who referred to the reports of a coming great enemy offensive against Italy and stated that the Italian army was quite prepared and he himself had neglected nothing to meet the strongest attack. If the enterprise attributed to the enemy was carried out, it would be a bigger affair than Verdun, but would have the same result.

LOCAL PRINTINGHOUSE STRIKE IS EXTENDING

200 More Refuse Work; Masters
Amalgamate to Break Up
Walk-Out

Two hundred more printers at the Commercial Press left their work yesterday following a speech made in the garden of the Paoshan Road works by a stranger, who is believed to be a Trade Union advocate. The intruder gained admission to the grounds without the knowledge of the management, and mounting a soap box delivered a stirring speech. Before the Chapel police arrived on the scene, the speaker made his way out among the excited workmen.

No new developments have taken place at the Chung Hwa Book Company, or any of the other printing offices. The one hundred strikers of the Chung Hwa Co., who walked out Tuesday, remained outside, although they did not set forth any definite demands, neither were there any negotiations going on for a settlement.

Mr. Hsu Kuo-liang, chief of police of Nantao, Chapel and Woosung, yesterday issued an order to arrest any person trying to incite a strike at the works. The strikers, now numbering 700, are scattered in the tea shops in the International Settlement for fear that the Chapel police might take them into custody.

The women employees of the press are mostly wives and sisters of the men. Many of these were seen last night searching for their husbands in the Hongkew district.

The Commercial Press claims to be the only Chinese business concern that has a profit sharing system. Every year a certain percentage of the profit made by the company is divided among the employees according to their efficiency. The paying of the bonus this year will take place some time in May, so it is believed that some of the strikers will return before then.

Workmen at the Commercial Press are well taken care of. Medical advice and medicine are given to the employees and their families free of charge every afternoon. The company also maintains and subsidizes a school and a kindergarten for the families of the workmen. Very low rates are charged.

Two hundred book binders and type-setters have offered their services to the company, but they have not been yet assigned to any work.

Both the Commercial Press and the Chung Hwa Book Company notified their customers through the local papers yesterday that they have been obliged to suspend work in some of their departments. It is feared that some of their contracts may not be finished on time.

At the meeting of the Publishers' Guild, Tuesday, it was agreed that no company will employ a workman who has been dismissed by another on account of a strike. The publishers hope to break the strike by this means, although they consider the present situation to be serious.

French Capture 440 Yds. Macedonia Lines

Artillery Assists Italians In
Smashing Attempted At-
tack by Bulgars

(Reuter's Agency War Service)
Paris, March 27.—A French official despatch from Macedonia reports: We captured a quarter of a mile of trenches in the direction of Coest-Croenastena, taking 100 prisoners. The Italians, supported by our artillery, broke down an attempted attack of the Bulgars.

Sprinklers, Aided By Smart Brigade Work, Save Whiteaway Store

Fire Breaks Out in Godown On
Fifth Floor; Hard to Tackle,
Extinguished in Hour

The Fire Department had a busy time again, yesterday, being called out to deal with four conflagrations. Three were of minor importance, but the other, at Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw's building, was serious enough, whilst, had it not been discovered so soon as it was, or had it occurred at night, in all probability it would have developed into a most disastrous fire.

Another important factor in its suppression were the sprinklers which the firm have installed. Mr. Pett found sufficient evidence, on inspection of the premises, that this device had added considerably in checking the spread of the fire.

The alarm was given at 5.15 p.m., by telephone and all companies of the brigade promptly turned out. The fire was located in No. 5 godown, on the fifth floor of the detached block of the main building, off Seachuen Road, somewhat awkward to get at.

A jet was brought into play from a line of hose laid up the staircase and the firemen were enabled to locate the seat of the trouble amongst some bales of cotton and coal, in the north-west corner. The sprinklers were working very effectively and had prevented the flames from spreading upwards.

There was, however, still a considerable blaze and the bales had to be removed before the danger could be thoroughly eliminated, the brigade being at work for quite an hour, the cotton continually breaking out in fresh places. Naturally, a good deal of water found its way down to the lower floors but the brigade kept the damage as low as possible by covering up and soaking up the surplus water with the spoilt cotton.

The actual damage is not believed to be more than two or three thousand Taels, but it might easily have been two or three lakhs if the outbreak had occurred a few hours later.

The day's work for the brigade started at 8 a.m., when they were called to East Seward Road, some burning joss-paper having started trouble in a rice-shop, but the flames were soon put out, with only slight damage done.

Two hours after the big affair, there was a call to Jessfield for a range of Chinese huts, which were quickly dealt with. Just before 8 p.m., Hongkew bell-tower's alarm resulted in a general call to 228 East Hanbury Road, a confectioner's shop, from where a fire had spread to a neighboring rice-shop. There was brisk work for twenty minutes and then all danger was over.

Name Commission To Judge Crimes

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increased their working hours. Recruits have continued to stream into barracks, notwithstanding the crisis caused by the Revolution and the daily drilling of soldiers commenced a week ago in every garrison in Russia.

The Volynsky Guards of the first regiment have declared themselves for the Revolution. They marched to the Tauride Palace to express their loyalty to the Government, carrying red flags inscribed: "Don't betray our comrades in the trenches! Make shells!" Their band played "The Marseillaise."

The new Minister of War, M. Goutchkoff, has already been three days at the front, where he not only visited the Staff Quarters, but also the regiments in the first-line trenches, making speeches and familiarly mixing with the soldiers everywhere. He was the center of great ovations, the soldiers unanimously replying that they would gladly die for victory.

Grand Dukes All Democratic

The nine principal Grand Dukes and three Princes have associated themselves with the views expressed by the Grand Duke Michael in his act of abdication and have surrendered their appanages to the State and expressed their determination to support the Provisional Government.

Advices from Tashkent report that the Tartars, Kirghiz and Saria have joined the revolution, marking the occasion by great festivals in the towns and villages, which were decked with flags and by thanksgiving services in the Mosques. General Kuropatkin addressed 200,000 demonstrators at Tashkent.

At the first performance at the Opera House since the outbreak of the Revolution, two members of the Executive Committee of the Duma addressed the audience from the ex-Imperial box, while two of the workmen's and soldiers' delegates spoke from another box.

The new governing body in Finland comprises six Social-Democrats and six representatives of other Parties.

Burn Rasputin's Body

The Bourse Gazette states that the body of the monk Rasputin has been burned.

The arrival of Madame Breshkovsky, the "Grandmother of the Revolution," was the occasion for rejoicing at Omsk. She was received by the Commanding General, who ceremoniously conducted her to her residence, the ex-Governor's palace, which is now styled the House of the Republic.

Socialist Tscheidze Joins New Russian Government

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

New York, March 25.—Reports from Stockholm state that the Socialist leader Tscheidze has been appointed Minister without portfolio in the new Russian Government.

Relief For Indo-China By China's Break With Germany

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Hanoi, March 28.—M. Sarraut, the Governor-General, opened an extraordinary session of the Government Council. In a speech, he mentioned the economic measures necessary to contribute to the protection of Indo-China and then proceeded to dilate on the happy effects for Indo-China arising from the rupture of relations between China and Germany, which felicitous situation permitted immediate relief and preparation for after the war.

Paris, March 24.—The Gaulois today publishes an interview with a Chinese diplomatist, in which the latter declares that the ground on which China has broken off diplomatic relations with Germany is the same which produced the Chinese Revolution—that is, that the people are soaring to light, liberty, progress and prosperity. It was on behalf of the country itself and not in favor of the Germans, that the people wanted to be regenerated.

Polybe, in Le Figaro, this morning, closes an article, in which he deals with the eventual entry of the United States into the war, by saying: "Protracted delay on the part of the United States would benefit Germany only. This seems to have been understood in Peking, where the youngest Republic is governed by men inspired by political experience which is four thousand years old."

Regulations for Germans

The rights of Germans residing in the Republic of China after the severance of diplomatic relations have been clearly defined in the regulations recently compiled by the Ministries of Interior and War.

Traders and missionaries must be duly registered with the local authorities and may change their residence upon proper arrangement. Failure to comply with the provisions may entail withdrawal or internment.

Members of the diplomatic and consular service must show cause why they have not returned and must move their abodes to places designated by the government to be taken care of by Chinese guards. German military men serving in

China must be disarmed and either interned or sent home by routes indicated by the government.

German properties in China which concern military uses are to be entered by their guardian on a list to be presented for joint examination by the officers delegated by the chief military authority of the province, and handed over after each party has signed and kept a duplicate of the list.

Inquire If Government Has Any Further Plans

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Peking, March 28.—Two members of the Senate, Ching Kuan-ll and Huang Kung-su, have submitted an interpellation to the Government, inquiring about further plans with regard to Germany after the diplomatic rupture has become a fact.

Six More Towns Are Captured

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followed by a counter-attack, in which the Germans recklessly and fruitlessly sacrifice men. The enemy's position at Vregny is very strong, their guns and machine-guns sweeping a natural glacis.

Carry Out Retirement Like Peace Maneuvers

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Berlin, March 24.—The military expert of the Deutsche Ueberseesdienst writes: "The German retirement in the west was carried out like a maneuver in peacetime. The Germans suffered only light losses, while they caused the enemy severe damage."

(From the report of the Great Headquarters.)
Berlin, March 24.—Fighting continues on both sides of the Somme and the Oise. The enemy are suffering heavy losses.

Berlin, March 25.—The artillery were most active in Flanders and Artois. North-east of Soissons, the French were repulsed, near Vregny, with heavy losses.

Near Soupir and Cerny, and on the northern bank of the Aisne, the Germans again entered the French lines. In air-fights, the French lost 17 aeroplanes.

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Mosquitoes carry malaria and other diseases.

Mosquitoes cannot multiply except in stagnant water. Where stagnant water cannot be abolished kerosene sprinkled on the surface to form a film will kill mosquito "wrigglers," as it prevents breathing when they come to the surface.

Old tins and bottles, broken crockery and unconsidered articles of this kind capable of holding rain water should be carefully collected from the garden and backyard and placed with the refuse for removal.

Tubs, kongs, water plants, flower-pot saucers or other vessels of water which cannot be dispensed with should be emptied or sprinkled with kerosene once a week.

Gardeners' kongs, dug-outs, wells and water barrels should be done away with, water for the garden, etc., being derived directly from the tap or, if that be impossible, the kongs, etc. should be oiled once a week or kept securely covered so that mosquitoes cannot get to the water to lay their eggs.

Have the water from kennels, chicken coops, etc., regularly emptied out.

Keep drains and rain-water roof channels clean and clear and in good repair. Gully traps that are not frequently flushed should be oiled weekly.

Shallow rain water pools and slushy places can generally be obliterated by a scratch drain or levelled with house ashes; ponds and ditches by filling-in and drainage.

Ornamental ponds may be kept free from mosquitoes by fish but, if mosquito "wrigglers" be found, the water should be oiled weekly preparatory to filling-in.

A weekly inspection of house and surroundings should be made. It may be remembered that a small unheeded pot of water will suffice to breed enough mosquitoes to irritate a whole neighborhood.

Arthur Stanley,
Health Officer.

VOLUNTEER CORPS CHANGES

Light Horse.—The resignation of 2nd Lieut. H. Quelch has been forwarded by the Commandant and accepted by the Council with regret.

American Company.—Nine months leave is granted to Captain S. A. Ransom from April 4. Upon the recommendation of the Commandant, 2nd Lieut. H. B. Sanford is promoted to be Lieutenant.

German and German Reserve Companies.—The resignation of the members of the two German Companies, contained in the appended communication from Captain C. Stepharius to the Commandant, has been accepted.

Shanghai, March 23, 1917.

Sir,—I respectfully report that for the reasons verbally explained by me at the meeting which I had with the Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council and your good self at the Council Room on Wednesday, the 21st instant, the members of the two German Companies of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps at a meeting held last night decided to resign as a body, handing over their arms and equipment.

They reserve for themselves to decide when they will be able to offer their services again to the Shanghai Municipal Council.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
C. Stepharius, Captain,
Commanding German Companies,
S. V. C.

Major T. E. Trueman,
Commandant, Volunteer Corps.

Imperial Preference Pressed On Cabinet

M.P.s. Ask War Conference Consider It, in View of Favorable Reports

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, March 28.—At a meeting, today, of members of the House of Lords and House of Commons, who support the principle of Imperial Preference, it was resolved, in view of the resolutions passed at the Paris economic conference in June, 1916 and of the fact that the committee over which Lord Balfour of Burleigh presided reported in favor of a policy of preference and commercial treaties with the Allies, to request the Government to submit the resolutions passed at the Paris economic conference and the Balfour of Burleigh report to the Imperial War Cabinet and Conference.

"The meeting further requests the Government, forthwith, to set up the machinery to give effect to these resolutions and to carry out the policy of Imperial Preference, in accordance with the announcement made by Mr. Asquith to Parliament in February, 1916, that the Government did not intend to await peace to give effect to the resolutions passed at the Paris conference."

Urges Canada to Do Own War Financing

Dominion Treasurer Tells How Loan Success Has Increased Prestige

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Ottawa, March 27.—Sir Charles White, the Minister of Finance, announcing that the new loan of thirty million sterling had been oversubscribed to the extent of twenty million sterling, states that the applications aggregated over 40,000. The increase in the number of small subscriptions was very gratifying.

The result is a very notable and significant success for the people of Canada and will be regarded by the outside world as Canada's greatest achievement in the war, next to her mobilization and the despatch of the overseas Canadian army.

It will immensely change Canada's financial prestige and will strengthen her credit should she later have recourse to foreign money markets, but Canada, if she chooses, can do her own war financing and he urges Canadians to continue to save money, to enable Canada to finish the war with the greater part of her debt held by Canadians.

Sunday's Concert

On Sunday next, April 1, at 4.30 p.m., the program at Town Hall will be as follows:—

1. Overture "Mignon".....Thomas
2. (a) "Valse Triste".....Sibelius
- (b) "Angelus".....Massenet
3. Selection "Traviata".....Verdi
4. (a) "Danse Chinoise".....Tchaikovsky
- (b) "Danse des Mirlitons".....
- (c) "Danse Russe Trepak".....

5. Ballet "Sylvia".....Delibes
- (a) Prelude—Les Chasseuses
- (b) Intermezzo et Valse Lente
- (c) Pizzicati
- (d) Cortege de Bacchus

Mr. A. de Kryger,
Conductor-in-Charge.

Council For 1917

The following will be the Office Bearers and Standing Committees for the ensuing year:—
Chairman: Mr. E. C. Pearce.
Vice-Chairman: Mr. A. S. P. White-Cooper.

Finance Committee: Count Jezier-ski, Baron Fujimura and Mr. E. C. Pearce.
Works Committee: Messrs. Ezra, Merriman and Richards.
Watch Committee: Messrs. White-Cooper, Johnstone and White.

The Council's representatives on the Electricity Committee will be Messrs. Richards and White-Cooper; and on the Sub-Committees will be as follows:—

On the Permanent Education and on the Foreign Educational Committees, Mr. Pearce; on the Chinese Educational Committee, Mr. Ezra; on the Band Committee, Mr. White; on the Public Recreation Ground Committee, Mr. Merriman.

The membership of the Committees will, accordingly, be as follows:—
Electricity Committee: Messrs. Bain, Burkill, Peables, Richards and White-Cooper.
Permanent Education Committee: Rev. Dr. Hawks Pott, Dr. Ivy, Messrs. Ezra, Pearce and Wilson.

Foreign Education Committee: Messames Billingham and Merriman, Messrs. Dawson and Pearce, and Drs. Ivy and Woodbridge.

Chinese Educational Committee: Rev. Hopkyn Rees, Messrs. Ezra, Phillips, Shen Tun-ho and Chih Chen-nieh.

Band Committee: Messrs. Burrett, White and Green.

Parks Committee: Mr. Jenner Hogg, Rev. Brother Faust and Mr. Peables.

Library Committee: Mr. Wilson, Rev. Darwent and Rev. Dr. Mac-Gillivray.

MUNICIPAL STAFF

Police Force.—Sergeant G. R. Welch is permitted to terminate his service on March 20.

The following promotions are authorized:—

To be 1st Class Constables.—J. B. Clissold, W. Howells, C. W. Morgan, J. Watson, J. Withers from March 10, and H. C. Pelling from March 20.

To be 3rd Class Constable from March 8.—F. E. Clark.

Health Department.—Miss J. F. Black, Miss M. I. Drake and Miss A. T. Robinson are appointed Nurses as from March 13.

Public Band.—The appointment of Musician H. B. Stone is confirmed from March 5.

T. Cruz is appointed Musician in the Public Band from March 14.

Educational Department.—The services of Mrs. M. Groat, Matron in the Thomas Hainbury School for Girls, will terminate under medical certificate on March 24.

Voluntary War Service.—Mr. A. J. Clements, Surveying Assistant in the Public Works Department, avails himself of the provisions of the arrangement contained in the Gazette of October 15, 1914, from March 29.

Patriotic League Of Britons Overseas

The Patriotic League of Britons Overseas got through a good deal of business at their meeting yesterday afternoon at the offices of Messrs. Maitland, Consul-General Sir E. D. H. Fraser presided and was supported by Mr. C. M. Bain, Vice-President and Mr. K. D. Stewart, Secretary, and a good attendance of members.

Mr. Stewart announced that the following committee had been appointed, in addition to the ex-officio members:—Sir H. de Saumarez and Messrs. H. G. Simms, C. M. Bain, Dr. Hopkyn Rees, Dr. J. W. Ross, S. J. Deeks, A. G. Mossop, E. I. Ezra, B. P. Lalcaea, E. E. Parsons, N. Raquabally, Jemadar, S.M.P., A. Stephen, Capt. D'Oliveira, M. B. Anderson, Geo. Lanning, L. Hutchinson, C. W. Porter, P. Crighton, E. F. Goodale, A. A. Brady, D. M. Graham, C. E. Sparke, Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, C. H. Ryde, G. L. Campbell, H. H. Read, D. Mennie, Rev. E. J. Malpas, R. E. Stewardson, O. M. Green, S. Hammond, W. H. T. Davis, C. D. Pearson and G. R. Wingrove.

In committee the meeting appointed Capt. Barrett and Messrs. Deeks and Hutchinson to co-operate with Mrs. F. Ayscough in The May Fair to be held at Chang Su-Ho Gardens. It was also agreed to issue a new edition of the war book compiled by Messrs. C. E. Sparke and S. Hammond.

On the motion of Mr. Bain an executive committee consisting of the President, Vice-President, Messrs. W. H. T. Davis, H. G. Simms and G. L. Campbell, with the Secretary and Treasurer, was appointed to carry out detail work.

Mr. Bain got the cordial support of the meeting in a suggestion for another Children's Day such as was given last year for the Belgian Children. No details were arranged but the fête will probably be held in June and the funds go to the Belgian children again.

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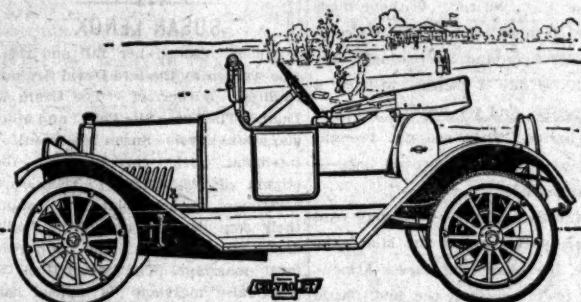
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Apparently here is a serious basis for a narrative effort. Truly, however, building "Oh, Mary, Be Careful!" (Lippincott) upon this foundation George Weston has put into his work more frivolously joyful moments than belong of right to any single amplified short story.

Of course, it turns into a love story; Mary cannot help that. Neither can the will. Nor would the reader if he or she could.

Just how the turning comes about we refuse to tell. Let George Weston do it. But the three tests of a husband suggested by Aunt Myra we simply must mention. The second is for tyranny and the third is on the issue of appetite vs. love. But the first is for purity of heart. Wherefore: Read the subject a beautiful poem, at the same time "modestly showing an inch or two of pretty silk stocking. In the middle of the poem suddenly look at him over the top of your book and see whether his mind is on the beautiful thoughts you are reading—or whether—

And Mary tries the test. Oh, man that is born of woman!

HISTORY BY CONAN DOYLE

First Volume of a Chronicle of the
British in the Great War

Volume I. of Conan Doyle's "A History of the Great War" (George H. Doran Company) is devoted almost wholly to the account, in comprehensive detail, of the British campaign of 1914 in France and Flanders. The book opens with a chapter, "The Breaking of the Peace," which reaches back of the first year of active war for international events now seen to have been premonitory. In effect, however, the volume in hand is no more than a military chronicle from the British viewpoint, and there is no reason to expect that the complete work will be more than that.

Sir Arthur acknowledges in his preface the impossibility of bringing out at the present time those points

of motive and of the larger strategy which go to the making of real history. There are also beyond today's reach "many incidents which have exercised the minds of statesmen" and "many possibilities which have worried the soldiers." Without these things a story of war can be compiled carefully and interestingly, but it will be like a picture without a perspective. And for history, perspectives arrive. They are not brought along perforce by improved lines of communication.

In the book before us we may read stirring narratives of the Mons, the Marne, the Aisne, the Basse-Armennieres operations and the first Battle of Ypres. There are maps and plans to make clear the various military movements and the trend of the great battle line. Following these narratives is a chapter of "Retrospect and General Summary," and the accounts close on the winter lull. A second volume of the Conan Doyle work will offer in due season the story of 1915.

MARRYING OF MISS PEGGY

In Little Pendleton It Is the Chief
Business of the Village

J. E. Buckrose, whose "Down Our Street" and "Love in a Little Town" have endeared her to many readers of pastoral romance, adds "The Matchmakers" (George H. Doran Company) to the number of her pleasant village stories.

Peggy, the daughter of the rector, is the charming center of interest in this volume, and over her destiny Little Pendleton concerns itself deeply and gossipfully. For her family's sake she should marry the rich and willing Mr. Lawry. But for love's sake there is young Charley Tremaine, big, steadfast, manly and poor as the rector himself. Truly here is a situation for an eager and friendly village to lie awake over!

"The Matchmakers" is rich both in character and characters. It could have been written only by an author knowing the life. As for the village which is its theater—

"There's Mr. Charles's goose up the road," remarks Mary, the maid.

"Ay, and there's Robinson walking across the ten-acre field," responds Stocks, the sexton.

"Plenty o' traffic here."

"Oh, ay, there's always a lot going on in Little Pendleton."

THE BOOK OF THE MOOSE

Samuel Merrill Brings Justice at Last
To America's Noblest Animal

"The Moose Book," by Samuel Merrill (E. P. Dutton & Co.) is a thorough and exhaustive study of what is perhaps America's noblest wild animal. The work is divided into two sections, the first of which deals, so to speak, with the personality of the moose. The author gives his history, describes his range on the continent, his habits, and also tells in detail the customary methods used in hunting him, and the best weapons and devices for that purpose.

In addition, there are chapters on the horns of the moose as trophies, his value as food, what his future is likely to be, and a collection of Indian myths on the subject.

The second section deals chiefly with the elk of the Old World, which Mr. Merrill holds to be practically identical with the moose of the New. The information is given at first hand, as the author has hunted all across Northern North America and has combined his own experience with that of guides and other hunters. The volume is abundantly illustrated, including reproductions of four paintings by Carl Rungius. The moose too long deserved a good book all to himself, and at last he has it.

SUSAN LENOX

"Susan Lennox, her fall and rise," was written by the late David Graham Phillips, author of "The Grain of Dust," "The Price She Paid," and other successful novels. Susan is a beautiful, intelligent girl, cursed with the stigma of illegitimacy. The cruel selfishness of her relatives, pushing their own daughter ahead, gradually drives Susan down. She is forced into marriage. The revelations of what false marriage is appeal her. Her terrible struggle against hunger, anxiety and the worst danger that threatens every helpless woman make a story that will be read with breathless interest.

Rev. Thomas B. Gregory says: "Mr. Phillips book is going to live, and not only to live but to go on steadily increasing its power and influence for the general uplift of humanity. It is not a conventional novel. It is a real book—real as life itself, as joy and sorrow, as hunger and cold. If I were a rich man I would buy the copyright of this story and have enough copies of it struck off to give one to every man and woman in the country."

An editorial in the Minneapolis Journal says: "Well, Phillips is dead, but his disturbing work lives after him. The work will grow—it cannot do otherwise. It shakes the pillars of society, it is pretty much an indictment of human nature. But it is too strong not to produce its effect. You cannot kill the giants; they move the hills. And America has to its merit one more great book, perhaps the greatest written since 'The Scarlet Letter.'"

YANKEE MAJOR IN BELGIUM

Wallace Winchell, S. A. Tells His
Own Story of Relief Work

Written by George Taggart, there appears in the book "A Yankee Major in Belgium" (Fleming H. Revell Company) Wallace Winchell's own story of his experiences in the work of distributing a war relief fund among the stricken people of Flanders.

Major Winchell gets his rank from the Salvation Army. He is the leader of the Army's social forces in Northern New Jersey, and he was called from his post there by request from London in October, 1915, to take up the work described in the book in hand. He remained abroad through most of the following winter.

Many interesting things happened to the Major. Not the least of these was the securing of his admission to Belgium, after a period of German objection, through the grateful offices of Dr. Maximo Asenjo, an exiled former Governor of a Nicaraguan province, to whom the Major, quite by chance, in 1911, gave assistance in the streets of New York in an hour of desperate need. Dr. Asenjo was found on this later occasion in Hamburg, established as editor of the Spanish edition of the Nachrichten.

A long and interesting chapter of Major Winchell's book is made up of little stories of fact gathered under the title "Sidelight Stories of Belgian Life." The Major brought back a large collection of photographs, which he got past the German authorities by the simple process of showing them openly to the officers in charge.

LOVE'S WAY IN CHICAGO

Emerson Hough is an early contributor to the shore-and-hammock literature prepared for the coming season of vacations and the out-of-door life.

His book "The Man Next Door" (Appletons) is a sure enough romance with all the accepted romantic trimmings, beginning and finishing in Wyoming and having its intervening interests on the Chicago lake front. Its heroine is a girl with a mind as well as a beauty of her own, and she has a father who, having made a heap of money out of his big ranch, simply can't help piling up dollars out of the games he finds ready to be played in Chicago. He even makes a million and more out of the fight for social recognition and the Better Things which he wages on his daughter's behalf and in memory of her mother.

The man next door comes in right where the love interest starts in the story. In fact, he starts it. And a great deal depends, as to the story and its issue, upon the fact that this man is not what he has, at his introduction, seemed to be. Mr. Hough has indeed adopted an expedient of concealed identity which has long been favored by romancers, but he gives it a turn sufficiently fresh for his own interesting purposes. Love and an elopement set things finally straight.

MENDEL IN ART AND LOVE

A study of genius and of temperament as modified by race is "Mendel" (George H. Doran Company), the new work of Gilbert Cannan.

The title figure in this book is a young Jew family name Kuhl, who arrives in London with his immigrant people in his infancy and who, from precocious drawing in his childhood, mounts to a leading position among artists. Mr. Cannan tells of his growing up, his schools, his inspiration, his despair, his revels in Bohemia, his adventures in passion and his discovery of security in love. Eccentric painters and feverish, unconventional girls appear and reappear upon the "Mendel" pages, the subjects of frank, realistic records of experience. But the girl who captures young Kuhl completely is a wholesome up-country lass, who, coming to study drawing in London, passes unscathed through the torrential life of her temperamental associates.

Mr. Cannan is a faithful and a deliberate artist in words. The figures he has drawn in this book will be likely to live in the reader's memory. His hero seems rather a creature of life than a creation in fiction, and especially fine is his work in making strongly clear the basic loyalty to race and family which survives Mendel's actual drifting away from certain lines of conception and belief.

AGAIN A BINDLOSS HERO

But This One Finds Peril and Love
Far Away From Canada

Harold Bindloss has quit, so far as "Brandon of the Engineers" furnishes evidence, his favorite Canadian fields of romance.

In his new book (Frederick A. Stokes Company) it is Central America which enlists the activities of his fine English hero not long after a conspiracy of circumstances has forced the young man out of what has seemed a most promising way to preferment in the army.

Excitement pursues Brandon in the New World. His life is several times in sharp peril. A German spy is against him, besides local makers of trouble. Also the girl appears whose father he has suspected of causing his original misadventure. Nevertheless, after a final thrill, all ends well in the good Bindloss way.

LOVES TURN TO THE RIGHT

Quite Contrary to the Planning of a
Mercenary American Mama

A sprightly little story of love that refused to take mercenary courses even under the most clever urging of an interested mama is "The Wa Hearts Go" (E. P. Dutton & Co.), by Laurence Hayward.

It is an American story, with heroes out of Harvard, blue blood accessories, two happy endings sure and a third left safely to the imagination of the reader.

THE VISIONS OF YSOBEL

There is always a far look in the eyes of Ysobel, the Scottish maiden, orphan daughter of the handsomest chieftain and the loveliest lady, who tells in Frances Hodgson Burnett's "The White People" (Harpers) the story of her visions.

It is these visions that give Ysobel her far look. The little lady sees things that do not meet the eyes of the ordinary. To her alone, out of the white maids about Muircarrie, comes Wee Brown Elspeth for playmate—little victim of a feud of centuries gone. She only sees the pale, slender figure hovering in translucent robes over a bereaved father. Solely to her sight and hearing the old castle piper, Feargus, marches and plays after a certain fatal night on the moors.

A little story of second sight is Mrs. Burnett's work; a suggestion of possibilities to take the edge from the fear that is upon man from his mortality; a fanciful peeping of the Unknown with dear familiar; a filling of the Silence with voices once known to earth. "The White People" is a book of rare human sympathy and is in its literary from most delicate.

SHOE STRINGS

From bundle boy to millionaire—and almost back again, such was the career of Mr. Tams. While floor-walking at the "Beehive" he had dreamed of evening clothes, motor cars, yachts and all that goes with wealth. And after making a killing in Wall Street, he immediately starts to realize his dreams. Then follows a succession of extremely humorous incidents based upon Mr. Tams' endeavors to break into society. The celebration dinner at Mrs. Wallops' boarding house, Tams' society clothes, the doings of the Wallops household at Tams' summer cottage, the courting of Mrs. Wallops and the social blunders of Tams are given in Maximilian Foster's most humorous style. Then comes the smash—and with it a warning against foolish social ambition.

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How the Runt, forlorn, unnoticed, insignificant, won for his own his father's chair, and the heart of the "chief" as well; how he met the great Winden Bang and what came of it; how he saved his beloved Brookfield when human hopes had fled; and how he went to a glorious end, true to his blood and his faith, is the story of John Taintor Foote's Dumb-Bell of Brookfield.

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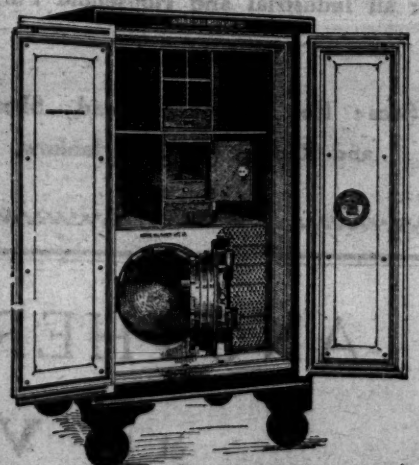
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INSIDE OF THE FAMOUS COVENT GARDEN DEAL BARED IN COURT SUIT

How Mr. Mallaby-Deeley and Sir Joseph Beecham Figured In £2,000,000 Purchase

London, February 17.—The £2,000,000 Covent Garden deal which stirred the imagination of all London at the end of 1913, but whose story has not yet been fully told, had light thrown upon it yesterday in the Chancery Division.

Mr. P. O. Lawrence, K.C., appearing for Mr. Henry Beecham, younger son of the late Sir Joseph Beecham (numerous other counsel representing other members of the family), asked that three actions pending should be consolidated into one, the conduct of that one given to Sir Thomas Beecham, and the trial directed to take place in London rather than in Liverpool or Manchester, where some of the parties lived.

His statement disclosed how Mr. Mallaby-Deeley had negotiated with the Duke of Bedford for the famous estate with its four great theaters—the Royal Opera House, Drury Lane, the Aldwych, and the Strand—five or more markets, and Bow-street Police Station.

Sir Joseph Beecham negotiated with Mr. Mallaby-Deeley, and ultimately the Duke consented to accept as the purchaser, Sir Joseph agreeing, said Mr. Lawrence, "to pay Mr. Mallaby-Deeley and other people sums for taking over the contract to the extent of £250,000."

This contract was entered into between the Duke and Sir Joseph Beecham on July 6, 1914, when people were buying and selling and working and playing, all unsuspecting of the war that was to break out in less than a month. The purchase price was £2,000,000. Sir Joseph paid down £200,000. A further £50,000 was to be paid on or before July 28, 1914; the balance, a million and three-quarters, on November 11 of the same year.

Sir Joseph on July 28 had therefore paid Mr. Mallaby-Deeley £250,000 and the Duke £250,000. Then war broke out.

Position When Sir J. Beecham Died

Before Sir Joseph Beecham had actually signed the contract with the Duke he had agreed to resell the bargain to Mr. A. L. Ormrod (partner of a firm of Manchester stock-brokers) for £550,000, so that he would recover his £250,000 to Sir Mallaby-Deeley and his £250,000 to the Duke and be £50,000 into pocket. "But owing to the war," said Mr. Lawrence, "Mr. Ormrod could not complete; for a similar reason and the disturbance of the money market Sir Joseph began negotiations for a delay of his payment of the Duke's £1,750,000 balance."

This was at last fixed to be paid on June 24 this year. In the meantime, possession of the estate seemed desirable to Sir Joseph and it was arranged that the Duke would give this on payment of another £250,000, leaving £1,500,000 on mortgage at 4½ per cent. The one condition was "a personal covenant by Sir Joseph to pay to £1,500,000. That was the exact position Sir Joseph was in when he made his will on September 28 last," he died on October 23.

"The Covent Garden estate," said Mr. Lawrence, "is a saleable estate, but this is not the time to sell."

Mr. Justice Sargent directed that the proceedings in the first action be transferred to London and that the two other actions be stayed.

SAUSAGE IN TROMBONES

Strauss Mannheim Orchestra Smugglers Found Out

Vevey, February 16.—All Switzerland is laughing over an incident reported from the frontier. After a tour of German Switzerland under the leadership of Herr Richard Strauss, the famous Mannheim orchestra returned to Germany. But at the frontier an odour unusual in musical instruments aroused the suspicions of the Swiss Customs officials, who, upon examination, found trombones, cellos, tubas, and double basses stuffed with sausages, meat, fats, and other delicacies. To the orchestra's great chagrin all were confiscated and a heavy fine imposed.

INDOOR SPORTS

By Tad



S. R. A.

Members of the Shanghai Rifle Association are reminded that the Second March Competition will be held on Friday, March 30, from 6 to 8 a.m. and from 4 to 6 p.m. The range will be 600 yards, Bley targets, and the conditions—1 sighting and 7 scoring shots.

Members who wish to shoot off their competition in the morning, are requested to be at the Range not later than 7.45 a.m.

Practice at 800 yards will also take place on the same day, from 8 to 9 a.m. Only members who possess permits are eligible to shoot at this range.

Shooting

"A" Company, British, S.V.C.
"A" Company (British) fired their Monthly Cup competitions on Tuesday, the 27th inst., between 6.30 and 8 a.m., the conditions being a sighter and 10 shots at 500 yards. Bley targets and scoring. Light and weather conditions were good, and a general improvement in the scores returned by "C" Class was noticeable. The attendance might have been larger, only 41 cards being taken out. The best scores in each class were as follows:

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Sergt. N. Mathieson... 35 7% 32.55
Pte. Smith wins first leg on cup; future handicap 4.25%.

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Pte. G. Dunlop... 41 4.25% 39.26
Corpl. E. A. G. May... 38 4.25% 36.39
Pte. A. E. R. de Jonge... 38 7% 33.34
Corpl. F. E. Ho'ges... 36 4.25% 33.48
Pte. R. H. Rowlat... 35 4.25% 32.55
Pte. G. Dunlop wins second leg on cup; future handicap 7%.

"C" Class
Pte. R. A. Russel... 39 nett 39
Pte. N. Thomson... 35 " 35
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Pte. L. Garner... 34 " 34
Pte. W. C. G. Chifford... 31 " 31
Sergt. G. E. O. Mayne... 31 " 31
Pte. Russell wins first leg on cup; future handicap 4.25%. Also wins spoon for highest score.

AUCTION OF RACE PONIES

There was a big attendance of sporting men, particularly Chinese, in the Horse Bazaar's auction yard, yesterday, but, for a change, there was not much money going about for ponies. A big batch of hacks and cross-country animals was knocked down for really reasonable prices in comparison with the high figures ruling during the last two or three seasons.

Only two really good racing ponies were advertised—a couple of griffins which have shown up well in early training and both of them certainly looked in good shape. The first, a

skewbald, only went to just over three hundred taels and was withdrawn.

Bidding for the other was also slow, but the auctioneer let it go at Tis. 260, a Kiangwan stable being the purchaser.

News Brevities

In recognition of Dr. S. A. Ransom's long and untiring services as Chairman of the Committee of the Shanghai Rifle Association, the members of the Association, yesterday gave him a souvenir in the form of a handsome leather pocket-book. Dr. Ransom sails for the United States on leave within a few days.

The seventh annual general meeting of the Anglo-Dutch (Java) Plantations, Ltd., will take place on Thursday, April 12.

The Cathedral School will hold its annual prizegiving at the school this evening at 5.15. The head master will read his report and Sir Haviland de Sausmarez will address those present. Lady de Sausmarez has kindly consented to hostess the prize. A short program will follow in which the music class will sing two songs, the senior boys will give a scene from Shakespeare's Henry V and the juniors will present a little original Tableau of Empire. All parents, old boys and those interested are cordially invited to attend.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Central Store will be held at the Astor House Hotel on Thursday, April 12.

GERMAN BULLETINS

(Reuter's Agency War Service)
London, March 27 (By wireless).—A German official communiqué reports: Rain has reduced the fighting on the whole west front to engagements north-eastward of Bapaume and Peronne. After repeated and fruitless advances, the enemy occupied Roisel.

Strong French forces came upon our reserves between the Oise and Coucy-le-Chateau. We inflicted losses and gave way before a threatened encircling movement.

We energetically advanced south-east of Bannovitch and stormed the enemy's positions on the west bank of the Shara, taking 300 prisoners. We repulsed a Russian attack, following violent waves of fire, westward of Luck.

Strong advances made by the French, north-west of Monastir, failed.

Order Appam's Return To British Forthwith

(Reuter's Agency War Service)
Washington, March 26.—The Supreme Court has ordered the immediate transfer of the Elder Dempster Line s.s. Appam to its British owners.

HINT THAT TURKEY'S COLLAPSE IS NEAR

The Entente Powers May Compel Greece To Remove King Constantine

Washington, March 16.—Official despatches hint that the collapse of Turkey is near. The Entente Powers are preparing to bring pressure to bear upon Greece to remove King Constantine. —United Press.

A BANKER'S GIFT

Mr. James Stillman, a famous American banker, has sent President Poincare a cheque for £40,000 to assist the children of French soldiers who have or may be awarded the Legion of Honor and who have been or may be killed.

RUSSIANS RETIRE

(Reuter's Agency War Service)
London, March 27 (By wireless).—A Russian official communiqué reports: The enemy attacked on the west bank of the River Shara and their second attack, which was accompanied by asphyxiating gases, compelled us to fall back eastward.

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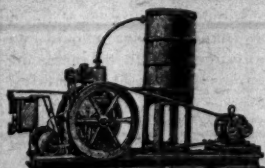
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IMPARTIAL AND PROGRESSIVE

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The Writing on the Wall

(Japan Chronicle)

FOOD riots in Petrograd and Moscow have been followed by food riots in Berlin and Hamburg. This is no mere coincidence. It will have been observed that during the period of the war the Russian bureaucracy has been prodigal of promises regarding the liberalising of the conditions of government, which in Russia have lagged so seriously behind the national desires and expectations. The Duma has been put off repeatedly with promises of what is to be done after the war. Yet instead of the unanimity, and enthusiasm of the people being rewarded with some measures of recognition or confidence, one autocratic ministry has succeeded another containing all the elements of reaction and often of corruption. The Duma has been threatened by the reptilian Black Hundred, in the pay of the reactionaries, and when the last Ministry came into power the meeting of the Duma was postponed and there were not unfounded fears that the condition of domestic and foreign affairs would be used as an excuse for suspending the sittings of the Duma altogether.

Then came the food riots, due, not to scarcity of food-stuffs but to the incapacity of the bureaucrats to provide means of transport, and the opportunity was seized by the leaders of the Duma to take the situation into their own hands. The result has been that the people, denied liberty for so long, have now taken by force what they could not obtain by argument. If we turn to Germany we find conditions not very dissimilar. The Reichstag, unlike the Duma, is elected by a popular suffrage, but it has no more control over the government than the parliamentary representatives have in Russia. The Ministers are chosen and appointed by the Kaiser; they are responsible, not collectively but individually, to the War Lord and to him only. The Reichstag may criticise and pass resolutions of want of confidence, but they cannot remove an objectionable Minister; the Reichstag may refuse credits, but the Budget of the previous year will then come into operation.

Of course the hostility of the Reichstag to a Chancellor or to any other member of the Ministry cannot but have an impression, but the knowledge that he cannot be removed by a vote of the members makes the Reichstag resolve itself more or less into a debating society. While the weakness of the Reichstag stands as an obstacle in the way of reform, it also removes from the members that sense of responsibility appertaining to a vote which has a restraining effect in the case of legislatures where the members exercise sovereign power. But while the Reichstag is elected on a popular suffrage, it is far otherwise with the Prussian Diet, where by a complicated three-class system the bureaucrats are strongly entrenched against innovation of any description.

In the early part of the war promises were made that this system, which has been the subject of wide-

spread condemnation in Prussia, would be modified—after the war. To the demands that no further delay should occur in a reform so long overdue a deaf ear was turned. Why should the Government worry? The Socialists as a body had proved themselves the tools of the Government; they had accepted the fiction that Germany had been attacked and was on the defensive; they had voted the credits for the war, and had rebuked the minority who tried to live up to their principles.

But the logic of events has gradually proved irresistible. Socialists, accustomed to more discussion and reflection than the majority of their fellows, cannot remain uninfluenced by the phenomenon of one neutral nation after another finding itself compelled to break off relations with Germany and to join the Allies in active operations against her. Consequently the Socialist minority which opposed the war from the beginning is steadily being converted into the majority. Indeed, it is said by men well qualified to know that if a free vote could have been taken among the Socialist party in Germany, the leaders who have supported the Government would long since have been deposed. The most influential organ of the Socialist party, the Vorwaerts, represented the minority, and proved such a thorn in the side of the Government that the bureaucrats instigated a movement among the majority Socialists to capture this frank and outspoken journal, which they succeeded in doing by a most discreditable intrigue.

But even the converted Vorwaerts is again beginning to criticise. According to a telegram which appeared in Friday's issue, Herr Heinemann, one of the Socialist leaders, has contributed an article of a most significant nature to that journal. He points out that although Germany's enemies have improved their governments along democratic lines during the war, Germany is still entrained by obsolete forms. The statement is not quite accurate, for in both Britain and France the war has seen the growth of autocratic methods which are quite foreign to the Constitutions of these countries, and which are excused as necessary at a time of crisis. But it is evident that Herr Heinemann was looking not towards the West but towards the East, where a great and necessary revolution has been accomplished during war-time. He points out that the German Chancellor had promised greater freedom for the German people after the war, but he warned the Government that the people could not wait till then.

These are ominous words. How far they are representative of feeling among the Socialist and progressive parties in Germany it is impossible to say (though the result of the election at Potsdam mentioned elsewhere is suggestive), but the significant fact is that they follow a movement of a similar nature in Russia which has been successful. The taking of the Bastille shook every Government in Europe to its foundations, and none more than the Governments of the numerous German States. Today, with Germany suffering from hunger and mourning millions who will never return, desperation may lead to emulation of the people of a neighboring country, and in the one case as in the other food riots may be followed by a political revolution. Unfortunately the German proletariat has no leaders at the moment who are trusted as Bebel was, and the instinct of rebellion against tyranny has been crushed by long years of subservience, while the middle classes are generally hostile.

Nevertheless, the Petrograd example will have its effect on Berlin. It may lead to an attempt on the part of the bureaucrats to placate the popular will by hurried concessions. More probably it will provoke stern measures against rioters and stringent measures of precaution. This would have the effect of intensifying the discontent so long as the food problem remains unsolved, and would in most countries be a dangerous course, but in a country like Germany, which has for so long been under subjection to militarist autocrats, it may be safer than in others. Time will solve the problem. What is evident is that the wind blowing from Petrograd has re-animated the dry bones of freedom in Germany. And the wind may have influence in unexpected places, for the multiplication of departments and bureaux and the increasing rigor of regulations and restrictions are not healthy symptoms in free countries. But the effect in Germany is already evident, and the re-animation of the Russian arms that may be expected of the revolution will still further intensify its influence.

Roast Seagull

And Other Quaint Bird
Dishes

By Frank Finn, B.A., F.Z.S.

(Author of "Birds of the Countryside")

Some years ago a friendly critic, in a review of a book of mine on Indian wading-birds, said that I did not seem to think I knew all about a bird unless I had eaten it; evidently he was surprised at the attention I had given to the edible qualities of birds other than the orthodox snipe and plover.

As a matter of fact I had been making investigations of this sort long before I went to India, liking any change from butcher's meat.

The truth is that the cheapness of meat in recent times has much restricted the national menu. In old days, when all the meat to be had in winter was salt, there was much more inducement to draw upon wild life for substitutes, and besides, birds were generally appreciated which are now almost ignored.

It would not be difficult no doubt, to re-popularise swans; but people look very much askance at the fish-eating waterfowl, which were, nevertheless, much esteemed by our ancestors, who would pay as much for a seagull as for a pheasant. No doubt one reason for this was that the former was harder to come by in pre-shooting days, but gull is good food enough. I once tried one—a herring gull, our commonest large kind—skinned and roasted, and found it much like duck. Cormorant has not come my way, but Graham in his book on the birds of Iona and Mull says that a brace of cormorants are just the thing to make "hare soup," and the officers of an exploring ship once ate up a whole small colony of penguins under this guise. In India two species of storks are called beefsteak birds, their breast cuts being dressed as steaks. Heron was a delicacy with our forefathers, and I found it palatable enough, and bitter is really excellent; but neither bird is common enough to be of much use, the latter being actually rare now.

The Fishy Taste

Coots and moorhens, however, are abundant, and I have eaten both, the latter many times; they are quite worth cooking, and I wonder they are not more used; but it is just as well to skin them, as the skin is rather rank and greasy. In fact, skinning is the great "tip" in preparing unfamiliar birds, for if there is any strong taste it is in the skin that it resides, it being a peculiarity of birds to lay on fat under the skin more than anywhere else; there is no such thing as a "streaky" bird with flesh in alternate layers of fat and lean. If this were more generally known we should not have so many birds condemned as "fishy," though personally I think this fishy taste is largely in the imagination of the eater. With the exception of the gull I have not had any of my experimental birds skinned, but simply roasted as they were; and I have eaten, besides heron, ibis (in India), grebe, and the red-breasted merganser, a fishing duck, and several other diving ducks which writers are fond of putting down as "rank, fishy, and unpalatable."

In Calcutta, where the market was well supplied with netted wildfowl, these despised divers went to table equally with first-class ducks, such as piquet, gadwall, and teal—the common wild-duck being practically unknown in Bengal—while sandpipers of various sorts were used as freely as snipe. There was also a brisk sale of what the native bird-catchers used to call "worlums," by which they meant ortolans; but real ortolans were never to be found in their baskets, the Indian substitute being the short-toed lark, though along with these were a large number of titlarks, wagtails, and even the lovely little bluethroat.

A Dish of Hawk

Blackbirds and thrushes are known to be excellent food, the latter especially having been greatly esteemed on the Continent ever since classical times. Starlings are said to need decapitation immediately after death or they will taste bitter; but this ceremony had not been performed with the only dish of them I tried, which was quite objectionable, and I have recently seen them in a shop with heads intact. Nothing of the kind has ever been advanced about sparrows, and they are well-known to be good eating; the experiment I made with them was really not necessary, and as they are admittedly very destructive at times there is every reason to thin them out. Of course such small birds are some trouble to prepare, but then they can be eaten bones and all, and it is well-known that they are a common article of diet on the Continent, at any rate among the southern nations, who have been bird-catchers and bird-eaters from time immemorial. In

Germany Still Fights To Win

By Lovat Fraser
(Daily Mail)

We shall not fully appreciate the present situation unless we begin by recognising that Germany is still fighting to win.

My personal surmise is that the German Government did not deliberately seek to bring about a rupture of their diplomatic relations with the United States. They simply took that risk because they had what they conceived to be a larger end in view.

The Germans perceive most clearly that after the failure of their insolent peace maneuvers they can only hope to win the war by encompassing the overthrow of Great Britain. They have the most intense faith in their swarms of new submarines, not altogether without reason. They believe their latest submarine campaign will starve this country out within six months. If they can accomplish their purpose, they are meanwhile not inclined to trouble very much about the United States.

The German policy of sea warfare inaugurated at the beginning of this month is desperate and criminal, but not in the least mad. It is plainly the outcome of long and deep calculation. The widely prevalent theory that Germany has sought to force war on the United States merely in order to enable herself to yield to the whole world in arms does not bear examination. The Germans still think they can snatch some sort of victory.

No Government in their senses who wanted to win would deliberately try to range another hundred millions of people against themselves. The German authorities have evidently been guided by two main considerations. They have persuaded themselves, on the evidence of the last two and a half years, that in any case the United States probably will not fight. They have possibly become further convinced that even if President Wilson took the extreme step of declaring war he can do nothing effective in the field for the next six months. The Germans are staking all their chances on victory in Europe within six months. They think that in the meantime anything that the United States may do does not matter.

As to the first consideration, it must be remembered that the arrogant Prussians do not understand the true American spirit in the very least and entertain a profound contempt for the United States. Their attitude of mind is sufficiently revealed by von Papen's insulting reference to the "Idiotic Yankees." They have completely misconceived the character of the President's unexampled patience. They have overlooked the effect of those swift waves of emotion which sometimes sweep like a tornado across the United States from ocean to ocean. Just as they misunderstood Great Britain in 1914, so they have thought, after repeated experiments, that the United States Government would endure any insult.

I repeat that the Germans are neither mad nor blind. They have only made another miscalculation.

Whatever events may follow the severance of nominal friendship between the United States and Germany, we have to keep our thoughts fixed on the great problem which lies before us and is still unsolved. Our problem is that of countering the new submarine campaign, and in the main the task must devolve upon ourselves, for it is against us that the menace is chiefly aimed.

The campaign is the logical development of Germany's unparalleled ruthlessness in warfare. It is so bold, so measured, it has been planned with so much foresight, that we should neither scoff at it nor treat it lightly. Nor should we waste any more breath in denouncing its violations of law and its manifest inhumanity. Above all, we should not make the mistake of regarding it as simply the last despairing effort

of the Mediterranean countries even hawks and owls are not spared. I have never tried an owl, and the only hawk I ever tackled was troubled with a terrible smell.

In conversation on this subject I have found that people are rather afraid of being poisoned if they try some unusual creature; but there is no danger in birds, none having deleterious flesh, while as to any sentiment in the matter, that is rather misplaced when people are eating such queer fish as catfish and dogfish, which, if they were seen with their heads and skins on, would certainly inspire more repulsion than gulls and cormorants.

Wood-pigeons, of course, would be more to the point than almost any of the birds I have mentioned, being

of a beaten foe. It is far more serious.

Consider when this campaign must have been decided on. Germany must have begun her preparations more than a year ago. She must have begun building, building, building her new submarines when she still seemed in the full tide of success, when she had just overrun Western Russia, and Serbia, and before she struck and failed at Verdun.

The policy of Germany in the matter of war has always been to look years ahead. She planned the whole war long ago. She waited six years while the Kiel Canal was being deepened to permit the passage of Dreadnoughts, but six weeks after the Canal was ready she went to war. Her earlier submarine campaigns were successfully overcome, but she quietly built flotillas of bigger, faster, and better-armed vessels. They are ready now, and she has always meant to use them remorselessly if she could.

Germany hopes to starve us out before we starve her out, and she will shrink from no crime to attain her ends. She is convinced that she can succeed, and that is the simple explanation of her present proceedings. There is nothing subtle about her course of action, save only the long concealment of her plans, which are crude enough.

In view of the sinister developments, the impressive appeal of Lord Devonport should be regarded by the nation with the utmost gravity. He has put us all upon our honor in the matter of food consumption. The children and the sick should have everything they require, but every grown man and woman can help to defeat the German submarines by eating less.

We must husband our food, and trust the Government and the new Board of Admiralty to overcome the submarine menace. I do not in any case believe that these great world-issues are going to be settled solely by processes of starvation. Just as Germany is not likely to starve us out, so we must not rely upon starving her out. We should always water down the current stories of Germany's economic condition, which is very bad, but probably not hopeless. Hard blows, and not starvation alone, will win the war.

There is far too much inclination to assume that the new submarine campaign has been devised because the Germanic land forces have shot their bolt. It is far too readily believed that Germany has lost all hopes of a victory on land. If we realise that Germany has been steadily building hosts of submarines for considerably over a year we shall perceive that these pleasant conceptions are misleading. The submarine policy is only one side of the huge and mighty final effort which Germany is preparing. It does not seem to be generally understood in this country that Marshal von Hindenburg has been placed in supreme control of both the land and sea forces of the Germanic Powers and their allies. The order for "an unrestricted U-boat war" came from Hindenburg. The German Chancellor himself has said so. It is further reasonably certain that now the High Seas Fleet is under the unfettered direction of a soldier he will order it to put fortune to the test when he thinks the right moment has arrived.

Hindenburg is undoubtedly not relying upon submarines and battleships alone. He expresses confidence in the military situation, as he is bound in any case to do, and he is inevitably preparing great strokes upon land also. They must come, if anywhere, in the west. He cannot waste another year upon unprofitable adventures in Russia and the Balkans while marking time before the immense array of French and British forces in France and Flanders. The disappearance of Bulgarian divisions from the Rumanian front suggests that General Sarraïl may soon be hotly engaged, but Hindenburg's gaze is assuredly turning westward.

This year should decide.

A popular article of food and very destructive to crops into the bargain; but the trouble is to get hold of them. Anybody who can find out how to catch them wholesale will make money, and deserve it; but centuries of bird-catching have not resulted in any satisfactory plan for the inveiglement of this wary bird.

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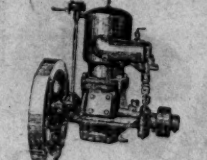
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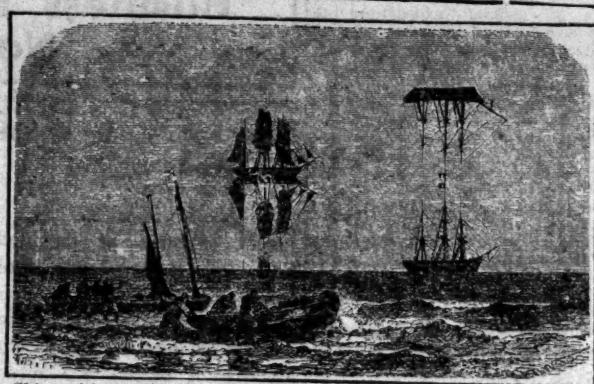
By George McManus



Mysteries Of The Mirage By Garrett P. Serviss

"On one of my trips out West I had the pleasure of seeing what is commonly known out there as an 'imaginary lake,' with the reflections of houses upside down, as if I was looking into real water with the houses on the opposite shore. I also could see Blanco Canyon, and very plainly distinguish the different sides, with all the rocks, small streams, trails, etc., looking as if I could jump into it, although the people said it was eighteen or twenty miles away. The vision disappeared in a very few moments after the sun began to get up. I would like to have this explained."

Illusory lakes in the midst of deserts, or heated plains, are perhaps the most striking form of the phenomenon named mirage, a word which has its root in the Latin "mirus" (wonderful), while the



Ships with their inverted images in the sky are sometimes seen at sea (superior mirage). The one described by Captain Scoresby, Jr., in 1822, in Greenland waters, was an image of a ship then thirty-four miles distant and fourteen miles below the horizon. The upper image which theoretically should appear is sometimes not noticed or is absent.

—After Herman, Klein and Thome.

we probably never see an object exactly in the direction in which it actually lies, but the variation is usually so slight as to be imperceptible and therefore negligible. But when the sun, moon and stars are rising or setting the effect of refraction is sufficient to lift them into view when in fact they are behind the horizon.

The effects of atmospheric refraction are greatly complicated by the fact that the refractive index of the air is continuously changing, in a capricious manner, owing to local alterations of temperature. This is the source of mirage. The "imaginary lake" is a very simple and typical example. The air over the surface of a sandy, or arid, plain is intensely heated, and its density being thereby correspondingly diminished; in other words it tends less that it did before to "lift" an object seen on the horizon.

But at a certain height above the ground, varying with circumstances,

object appears double, the image formed by the less refractive rays appearing below that formed by the others, and the effect of a reflection in water is produced because the same rays which make the lower image also project upon the ground an image of the sky over the horizon, which looks like a lake resting on the sand. The inversion of the lower image is due to a gradual increase of the refractive index from the ground upward.

The effects become complicated, and very wonderful when the arrangement of the atmospheric layers of varying density is less simple than that just described. When your canyon was apparently lifted into view from behind the horizon, and brought nearer, at sunrise, there must have been a double play of refractive changes, in part due to the heating of the air where the sun's unclouded rays first struck the ground. Gradually the density of the air was equalized throughout all the mass of atmosphere travers-

magnification, are seen comparatively close at hand, so that their principal details are discernible. Theoretically, it would be possible for the earth to have an atmosphere possessing such an index of refraction that ray of light would be sent completely round the globe in a circle, so that one might see his own back by light that had gone round the earth.

It has even been seriously suggested that the disc of the sun, as we see it, is only an optical illusion, the real sun not being a globe with a definite boundary, but a sphere of gas with no sharp limit, while the rim that we seem to see is due simply to light-rays having a similar radius of curvature.

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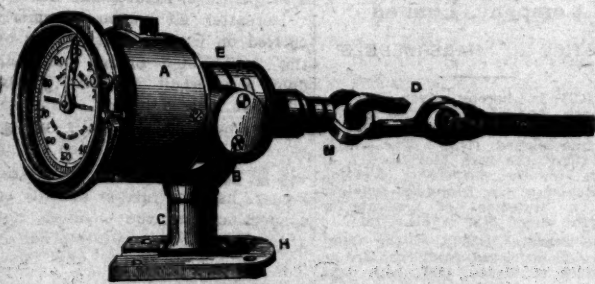
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—From Lockyer.

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Future Sailings

FOR AMERICA AND CANADA

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
Mar 31	1.00	San Francisco	Nippon maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
Apr 1	..	San Francisco	Kanamaru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
..	5.30	Seattle, Victoria etc.	Shidzuka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	..	San Francisco	Shinyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
..	..	San Francisco	China	Am.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	San Francisco	Peria maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
..	..	San Francisco	Colombia	Am.	P. M. S. S. Co.

FOR JAPAN PORTS

Mar 29	2.30	Kobe & Osaka	Kasuga maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	3.00	Nagasaki	Penza	Jap.	A. T. Co.
..	1.00	Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Nippon maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
..	5.00	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Yamashiro maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Apr 1	..	Kobe & Yokohama	Kanamaru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
..	5.30	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Shidzuka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	3.00	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Omi maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	..	Kobe & Osaka	Kanamaru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	..	Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Shinyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
..	..	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Chikugo maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	..	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Yawata maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.

FOR EUROPE, INDIA, STRAITS, ETC.

Mar 30	1.00	London etc.	Miyazaki maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Apr 13	..	London etc.	Kitamao maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	..	London etc.	Fushimi maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.

FOR SOUTHERN PORTS

Mar 29	D.L.	Amoy, Hongkong & Canton	Shantung	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Kiangtong	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	..	Tamsui	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Hsin Peking	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Hsin Ningbo	Chi.	N. S. S. Co.
..	..	..	Hsiao	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	..	Kwasang	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	..	Wingang	Br.	J. M. & Co.
Apr 1	D.L.	Hongkong & Canton	Yingchow	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Chenai	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Sinkiang	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Holbow	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	China	Am.	C. M. S. S. Co.
..	..	..	Manila & Hongkong	Am.	P. M. S. S. Co.
..	..	..	Hongkong	Jap.	N. Y. K.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Mar 29	9.00	Tsingtao and Dainy	Tencho maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
..	..	..	Hanchow	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Shenckins	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Feiching	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	..	Kobe maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
..	..	..	Yoshida	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Isan maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
..	..	..	Ono maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
Apr 3	8.30	Dainy	Sakaki maru	Jap.	S. M. R.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Mar 29	M.N.	Hankow etc.	Yohyang maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	..	..	Kiangtong	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	..	Kiangshin	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	..	Tachang maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	Tuckwo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
..	Tatung	Br.	B. & S.
..	Shangyang maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	Wuchang	Br.	B. & S.
..	Kiangtong	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
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..	Tatung	Br.	B. & S.
..	Chiangkiang, H'kow & Swatow	Br.	B. & S.
..	Fungting	Br.	B. & S.
..	Longwo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
..	Kiangyang	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	..	..	Nanyang maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
..	..	..	Poyang	Br.	B. & S.
..	..	..	Luenbo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
..	..	..	Kiangyu	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.

*A.M. M.N.—Midnight. D.L.—Daylight.

Arrivals

Date	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Mar 29	Ningpo	Hsin Peking	2868	Br.	B. & S.	CNCW
..	Ningpo	Hsin Ningbo	2151	Chi.	N. S. N. Co.	NSCW
..	Japan	Yamashiro maru	2236	Jap.	N. Y. K.	NYKW
..	Swatow	Hanchow	1491	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
..	Viadivostok	Portuna	2679	Rus.	N. Y. F.	8 p
..	Poochow	Hsiao	1839	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.	KLYW
..	Japan	Miyazaki maru	4996	Jap.	N. Y. K.	NYKE
..	Dainy	Isan maru	841	Jap.	S. M. R.	WSW
..	Hongkong	Kwasang	1368	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.	KLYW
..	Hankow	Kutwo	1224	Br.	J. M. & Co.	SHW
..	Tientsin	Shengkang	1815	Br.	B. & S.	CNFW

Departures

Date	For	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents
Mar 29	Hankow etc.	Kiangkwan	3085	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	Wenchow via Ningpo	Poochi	681	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	Hongkong and Canton	Chiyuen	1201	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
..	Hankow etc.	Ngankin	1719	Br.	B. & S.
..	Ningpo	Hsin Peking	2868	Br.	B. & S.
..	Ningpo	Hsin Ningbo	2151	Chi.	N. S. N. Co.

Vessels In Harbor And At Woosung

Arrived	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Nov 14	Hankow	Albenga	2769	Ger.	Carlows	YWGW
Aug 4	Hongkong	Bohemia	4282	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B VII
Aug 5	Hongkong	China	3868	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B XIII
Aug 8	Hongkong	Rickmers	2651	Ger.	H. D. & Co	USA
Dec 27	Nanking	Portuna	2679	Rus.	N. Y. F.	10 p
Mar 25	Hongkong	Glengyle	1839	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.	CMLW
Mar 25	..	Hunglee	603	Chi.	Tuck Wo	CERCW
Mar 18	Poochow	Keelung maru	963	Jap.	N. Y. K.	LPDW
Mar 23	Wenchow	Kwasang	314	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.	KLYW
Mar 25	Tientsin	Koonshing	3233	Br.	J. M. & Co.	SHW
Mar 26	Japan	Kasuga maru	2387	Jap.	N. Y. K.	NYKW
Mar 27	Hankow	Kiangshin	2101	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.	KLYW
July 16	Hankow	Meidai	1682	Ger.	Melchers	NGLE 1
July 10	Hankow	Meile	1682	Ger.	Melchers	NGLE 1
Mar 18	Ningpo	Meifoo	466	Am.	S. OikCo	SOCW
Feb 25	Cruise	Pacific	727	Dan.	G. N. T. Co	8 p
Mar 18	Balkpapan	Romany	2579	Br.	A. P. Co	11 p
July 20	Hongkong	Sikiang	1840	Ger.	H. A. L.	9 p
Mar 25	Cruise	Silesia	3318	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B IX
Mar 25	Cruise	Store Nordiske	2807	Dan.	G. N. T. Co.	7 p
Mar 26	Hongkong	Shantung	2807	Br.	B. & S.	WSW
Mar 27	Tsingtao	Tencho maru	1278	Jap.	S. M. R.	CNFW
Mar 27	Swatow	Tamsui	919	Br.	B. & S.	CNFW
Mar 27	Hankow	Yohyang maru	1917	Jap.	N. Y. K.	LPDW

Vessels Loading

For River Ports

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Str. Kiangshin, Capt. J. R. Milligan, will leave on Thursday night. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co's Str. Yohyang Maru, Captain A. E. Inwood, will be despatched from the Way side N.Y.K. Wharf on Thursday, March 29 at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nishin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Str. Kutwo, 2,664 tons, Captain Gibb, will leave on Thursday, the 29th, instant, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage apply to Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., General Managers. Tel. No. 240.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Str. Tackwo, 3,770 tons, Captain Philip, will leave on Friday, the 30th instant, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., General Managers. Tel. No. 240.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Tatum, Captain Williams, will leave from the French Bund on Friday, the 30th inst., at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co's Str. Tachang Maru, Captain K. Takeshita, will be despatched from the Pootung N.K.K. Wharf on Friday, March 30 at about 12 o'clock midnight. The last steam launch will leave Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nishin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Wuchang, Captain Pickard, will leave on Saturday, the 31st inst., at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, Tel. No. 77.

For Southern Ports

SWATOW.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Tamsui, Captain J. A. McCulloch, will leave on Thursday, the 29th inst., at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, Tel. No. 77.

AMOI, HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Shantung, Captain Meathrel, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Thursday, the 29th inst., at daylight. For Freight or Passage apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

NINGPO.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Hsin Peking, Captain A. Stott R.N.R. will leave from the French Bund on Friday, the 30th inst., at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

POOCHOW.—The Str. Hsiao, Capt. F. H. Wallace, will leave on Friday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The Str. Kwanglee, Capt. A. P. Sangster, will leave on Friday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Yingchow, Captain J. Gibbs, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Sunday, April 1, at daylight. For Freight or Passage apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

NEWCHOW.—The Str. Felching, Capt. A. B. Barnes, will leave on Friday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

For Northern Ports

WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Shengkang, Captain McIntosh, will leave from the French Bund on Thursday, the 29th inst., at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

NEWCHOW.—The Str. Felching, Capt. A. B. Barnes, will leave on Friday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

For Japan

NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—The Nippon Maru, 11,000 tons, on Saturday, March 31. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 1 p.m. For Freight or Passage apply to The American Trading Company.

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Men-of-War In Port

Section	Date	From	Name	Flag and Rating	Tons	Guns	Men	Commander
BNE	Jan. 30	Cruise	Cincinnati	Am cru.	3213	10	314	Brumby
FP	Nov. 8	Cruise	Monocacy	Am g-b.	190	3	47	Bryan
FP	Feb. 11	Cruise	Sanar	Am g-b.	248	6	29	Timberlake
FP	Feb. 12	Cruise	Villalobos	Am g-b.	336	6	86	Chase
ODW	Mar. 6	Cruise	Wilmington	Am g-b.	1332	8	159	Chadwick

The French gunboats D. de La gree and Decidee, the Japanese gunboats Fushimi, Sumida and Toba, and the British gunboat Woodlark are not included in this list, being dismantled.

Passengers Arrived

Per R.V.F. s.s. Penza from Vladivostok:—Mrs. Soukina, Mrs. Chabakova, Mr. Simen and Mr. Grey.
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Miyazaki Maru from Japan:—Mrs. H. B. Turner, Mr. N. Martin, Mr. K. Kevich, Mr. E. Nakajima, Mrs. K. Shibata and inf., Miss Y. Hayashi, Mr. Darles Halphong, Mr. F. S. Souza, Mr. and Mrs. K. Nii, Mr. T. Mizuchi, Mr. E. Yamamoto, Mr. Y. Yamamoto and Mr. Y. Komatsu.

Per C.M. s.s. Kwanglee from Hongkong:—Mrs. Nielsen.
Per C.N. s.s. Hsin Peking from Ningpo:—Mr. Takesaki.

Per N.S. s.s. Hsin Ningshao from Ningpo:—Mrs. Rosa Polenberg, Mrs. Brinkelsen and Mr. G. G. Griz.
Per C.M. s.s. Hsiao from Poochow:—Miss A. L. Scott, Miss D. F. Riddler, Mr. E. C. Riddler and Miss M. M. Riddler.
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Yamashiro Maru from Japan:—Mr. E. Olson, Mrs. L. Blackmore, Mr. M. Heidler, Mr. and Mrs. F. Onishi, Mr. and Mrs. S. Awano, Mr. K. Sokoaka, Mr. M. Araki, Mr. K. Takeshita and Miss T. Onishi.

Passengers Departed

Per N.Y.K. s.s. Hakual Maru for Nagasaki:—Messrs. R. Suzuki, K. Miyaji, K. Sugimoto, K. Ando and Y. Kasuya.
For Kobe:—Mr. M. Chitose, Mr. S. Yamamoto, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Sigler.
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Seventh Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at 13 Nanking Road, Shanghai, on Thursday, the 12th day of April, 1917, at 4 p.m.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 5th April to 12th April, 1917, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,
R. N. TRUMAN & CO.
Secretaries & Managers.
Shanghai, 29th March, 1917. 13254

DR. RANSOM requests that all outstanding accounts against him be sent in for payment not later than April 1st. 13251

NOTICE The China Import & Export Lumber Company, Limited.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifteenth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at their offices, No. 6 Kiukiang Road, Fourth Floor, Today, the 29th of March, 1917, at 4 p.m.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd to the 29th of March, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
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the subjoined resolutions which

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resolutions at the Extraordinary

Meeting of the Company held on

the 27th day of March, 1917, will

be submitted for confirmation as

special resolutions:

(1) That the name of the Com-

pany be changed to "The

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(2) That the new articles sub-

mitted to the meeting and for

the purpose of identification

initialled by the Chairman

thereof be and they are hereby

approved and that such regula-

tions be and they are hereby

adopted as the Articles of the

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and to the exclusion of all the

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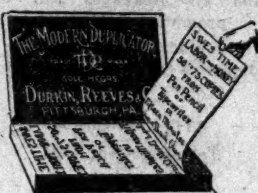
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Included with the deposit book, was also \$2,000, due on the 25th of the 12th moon, which we immediately withdrew, and the District Magistrate has instructed the above Bank to cancel it.

The public are hereby warned not to negotiate the said deposit book, on any occasion.

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SATURDAY and MONDAY

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